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SUBJECT:TRANSIT OF SOVIET JEWS

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1. GOA POLICY DECISIONS REPORTED REFTEL ARE ENCOURAGING AND WOULD SEEM TO INDICATE ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION OF TRANSIT PROBLEM.

2. WE CONCUR WITH YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS.

3. WE HOPE THAT ICEM MANAGEMENT OF NEW TRANSIT FACILITY WILL BE MORE THAN MERELY NOMINAL. AMONG OTHER ADVANTAGES, WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD ENABLE SEPARATION AND ONWARD MOVEMENT TO ROME OF THOSE REFUGEES WHO HAVE EXPRESSED PREFERENCE TO SETTLE IN US. IT SHOULD ALSO ENSURE SUFFICIENTLY OBJECTIVE COUNSELING THAT OTHERS WHO ARE NOT FIRMLY COMMITTED TO ISRAEL WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS AND ACT

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UPON ALTERNATE CHOICES OF DESTINATION. LACK OF SUCH OP-

PORTUNITY IN PAST HAS RESULTED IN MOVEMENT TO ISRAEL OF
MANY WHO DID NOT WISH TO SETTLE THERE, WITH RESULTANT DIFFICULTIES OF LEAVING ISRAEL AND MOVING THROUGH ROME TO US.

4. WE NOTE THAT GOA WILL PROVIDE EXTERNAL SECURITY FOR NEW
FACILITY. WILL ISRAELIS PROVIDE INTERNAL SECURITY, AS
THEY HAVE DONE AT SCHOENAU? KISSINGER

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